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A three (3) month extension of time, from September 6, 2002, up to and including December 6, 2002, is requested to respond to outstanding Office Action, mailed on June 6, 2002 in the above-referenced application. Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$460.00 (in view of the small entity status of the application) to cover the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c).

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments that may be required to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,

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